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Other Individuals and Organizations Involved or Interviewed

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Captain JAMES ARNOLD, Commander, First District Station, New Orleans Police Department, advised that on August 9, 1963, he was aware of the fact that Lieutenant WILLIAM GILLIOT, Patrolmen FRANK HAYWARD and FRANK WILSON, had arrested LEE HARVEY OSWALD on Canal Street because he became involved in a disturbance with three Cubans while he, OSWALD, was distributing Fair Play for Cuba Committee literature. Shortly after OSWALD was booked at the district, he stated that Sergeant HORACE J. AUSTIN and Patrolman WARREN ROBERTS of the Intelligence Unit of the New Orleans Police Department came to the district and interviewed OSWALD as well as the other three Cubans who were arrested with OSWALD.

At the outset of this interview with OSWALD, Captain ARNOLD advised he was present and since he was merely there as an observer, he made no notations and did not submit any report or results of the interview since this was the responsibility of AUSTIN and ROBERTS.

As best he can remember, Captain ARNOLD said that the beginning of the interview dealt with general background of OSWALD, such as place of birth, where he lived, who his family was, his employment, etc.

Captain ARNOLD remembered that he asked OSWALD if he knew CARLOS LAMONT, who, according to information he, ARNOLD, possessed was considered to be a Communist. OSWALD responded by saying that CARLOS LAMONT was not a he but was a she and that he had read some of the material written by this female and he did not consider LAMONT to be a Communist. He further commented that he, himself, OSWALD, was not a Communist.

Captain ARNOLD said that he remembered from past knowledge that the name of Professor LEONARD REISSMAN of the New Orleans Council for Peaceful Alternatives, who resided at 1121 Pine Street, New Orleans, had been mentioned as being possibly affiliated with the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, although he did not have any first hand information to the effect that REISSMAN was so connected and when he, OSWALD, mentioned during the interview that some of the meetings of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee had been held on Pine Street,

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he immediately recalled the name of REISSMAN. He said that he asked OSWALD if REISSMAN was a member of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. OSWALD did not give a verbal answer to this question, but Captain ARNOLD said he gathered from the expressions appearing on OSWALD's face and from words he uttered at that time, which he could not recall at this time, that OSWALD knew or was acquainted with REISSMAN. He said that he attempted to pursue this further, but OSWALD refused to admit any knowledge of REISSMAN or ever having been at REISSMAN's home. Captain ARNOLD said previous to this OSWALD had admitted to him that he was a member of the local chapter of the Fair Play forCuba Committee and he was trying to tie OSWALD and REISSMAN together, but was unsuccessful.

At no time during the period when he was present during the interrogation of OSWALD, did OSWALD mention being paid any amount of money for the distribution of Fair Play for Cuba Committee literature.

Captain ARNOLD said that he could not remember any additional details with respect to questioning of OSWALD.